

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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**Incident:** Residential Burglary, Theft, Prowling, and Possession of Stolen Property Arrest

Location: 100 block of Mara Ave and 9500 Santa Maria St

**Date/Time Occurred**: 07/21/20 @ 1830 hours

<u>Officer(s) Involved:</u> Ventura Police Patrol, Ventura Police Street Crimes Unit (SCU)

Suspect(s): Antonio Porcallo (DOB 7/10/92), Santa Paula resident

Jesus Alvarez (DOB 5/14/95), Santa Paula resident

**Report #:** 20-47875

## Narrative:

On the above date and time, a resident in the 100 Block of Mara Ave observed a male subject removing a package from the porch of a residence and entering a U-Haul truck. They called 911 and began following the truck, witnessing the suspect, later identified as Antonio Porcallo, enter an open garage of a residence on Santa Maria St and steal a bicycle. Responding officers located the U-Haul as it traveled on the eastbound 126 freeway. Officers contacted Antonio Porcallo and the driver Jesus Alvarez. Patrol officers also found multiple other items believed to be stolen.

The Ventura Police Street Crimes detectives responded to assist. During the investigation, detectives discovered the two suspects had been driving in neighborhoods looking for packages and other property to steal. Detectives were able to identify additional victims of package theft in Ventura and return the property.

Porcallo and Alverez were arrested and transported to the Ventura County Jail, where they were booked for Residential Burglary, Theft, Prowling, Possession of Stolen Property, and Conspiracy. A review of the Ventura County Superior Court website shows that Porcallo has been convicted of weapons charges and that Alvarez has been convicted of weapons charges, possession of stolen property, possession of a controlled substance and vehicle theft.

The complete press release, including suspect description, can be viewed online at www.venturapd.org

If you have any information about this crime, you can make an anonymous call to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

If your information leads to an arrest, you could receive a cash reward of up to \$1,000.